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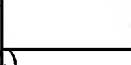

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Brazil: President Castello Branco is considering deferring all popular gubernatorial elections until next year.

The government apparently believes early political campaigns would unsettle the nation and tend to impede the regime's economic reform and stabilization programs. This year is considered decisive because the two-year austerity program is supposed to demonstrate success by early 1966.

Much of the initial reaction to the prospect of postponement, as reflected in the press, has been critical. Castello Branco appears resolved, however, to do whatever he thinks necessary to promote the holding of free national elections next year.

The President is still determined not to seek re-election, despite demands from some hard-liners that he continue in office indefinitely.

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Ghana-Congo: [Ghanaian doubts about the capability of the Congolese rebels have now reportedly culminated in an order from Nkrumah to suspend further aid to the rebels until after their chief, Christophe Gbenye, visits Accra--probably sometime this month. The Ghanaians, who have sent at least two planeloads of arms, may resume their aid after Nkrumah has decided which of the rebel leaders he should support. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] the rebel movement is extremely fragmented, with most of its leaders outside the Congo [REDACTED]

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Ecuador: The Ecuadorean junta has authorized barter trade with Communist countries, including Communist China, and will admit bloc traders and technicians, whose activities Ecuadorean security forces may prove incapable of monitoring. Banana growers, faced with declining international markets for Ecuador's major product, had pressed for this reversal of policy.

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